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DCN CASE SUMMARIES

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1. DCP CASE 420 (Nickel - Jacques Mondshein)

Milan T-89, March 20, 1956 reported that Dutch principals are endeavoring to obtain Italian import documentation to facilitate diversion to Prague through Switzerland of 20 tons of nickel now in Rotterdam harbor. The intermediary is Jacques Mondshein, 84 Ruebolzaris, Paris 10, where UNION INTERNATIONALE COMMERCIALE is also reportedly located. The nickel is described as "already nationalized" and is supposedly in possession of the large forwarding firm of Steinbeck at Rotterdam. Mondshein is also connected with forwarder Jacky Marner of Geneva. (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE)

2. DCP CASE 421 (Iron Scrap - Ibrahim Diab)

Lebanon D-394, March 16, 1956, and Lebanon D-434, April 9, 1956 reported that Ibrahim Diab, Beirut, Lebanon had shipped 350 tons of iron scrap on the SS ARNICA, 1/15/56, and 150 tons of iron scrap on the SS DRAFIN on or about 3/16/56 from Beirut to Genoa, Italy. The possibility of diversion to the Soviet Union bloc was particularly significant since the scrap was believed to have been of Lebanese origin rather than merely in transit through the Beirut Free Zone. Lebanese Ministry of National Economy reported that Diab had licenses to export 350 and 200 tons of iron scrap to COMPOSITA DI MILANO, an Italian firm. In response to a query Milan D-176, April 5, 1956 reported that the Consulate General had not been able to locate any firm in Milan by that name. Milan D-189, April 18, 1956 reported that the SS DRAFIN had arrived at Genoa on March 26, 1956 with 485 tons of iron scrap from Ibrahim Diab, consigned to CAMPSIDER, consortium for the largest iron and steel mills in Italy, and had been sent to DAIMINE of Bergamo where all of the scrap was reportedly being used for that company's own production.

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